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SUBJECT : LETTER TO GUINEAN PRESIDENT SEKOU TOURE FROM
PRESIDENT NIXON

1. IF NOT TOO LATE FOR CHANGES, RECOMMEND THAT SUGGESTED
LETTER FROM PRESIDENT NIXON IN RESPONSE TO PRESIDENT SEKOU
TOURE'S LETTER BE REPHRASED AS FOLLOWS:

2. FIRST PARAGRAPH - CHANGE TO READ: "IN RESPONSE TO YOUR
LETTER OF MAY 3, I REGRET THAT THE PRESSURES ON MY SCHEDULE
DID NOT PERMIT ME TO RECEIVE YOUR FOREIGN MINISTER FILY
CISSOKO FOR PERSONAL DISCUSSIONS DURING HIS VISIT TO THE
UNITED STATES. HOWEVER, MY THEN-ACTING SECRETARY OF STATE,
MR KENNETH RUSH, DID INFORM ME OF THE MEETING HE HELD WITH
MINISTER CISSOKO TO DISCUSS WHAT FURTHER RESPONSE THE UNITED
STATES MIGHT MAKE TO THE PROBLEM OF THE FOOD SHORTAGE FACING
YOUR COUNTRY."

3. SECOND PARAGRAPH - CHANGE FIRST SENTENCE TO READ: "I AM
PLEASED THAT /.."

4. SECOND PARAGRAPH - CHANGE FOURTH SENTENCE TO READ: "NONE-
THELESS, I HAVE BEEN PARTICULARLY DISTRESSED BY THE SERIOUS
FOOD SHORTAGE PROBLEMS IN THE DROUGHT-AFFECTED AREAS OF WEST
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AFRICA AND HAVE DIRECTED THAT ALL POSSIBLE UNITED STATES ASSIS-

TANCE BE EXTENDED TO THOSE IN NEED."

5. THIRD PARAGRAPH - CHANGE LAST SENTENCE TO READ: "I SHARE
YOUR HOPE THAT SOMETIME IN THE FUTURE CIRCUMSTANCES WILL
PERMIT US TO MEET AND TO DISCUSS WORLD PROBLEMS AND RELATIONS
BETWEEN GUINEA AND THE UNITED STATES."
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